MONTHLY TRUCK TONNAGE REPORT

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JUNE TRUCK TONNAGE INDEX DECREASES

The seasonally adjusted monthly index of intercity truck tonnage decreased 1.3 points (0.9 percent) during June 1981, the American Trucking Associations announced today. The adjusted index was 150.8p for the month of June compared to 152.1r for the month of May 1981. The index was 10.4 points (or 7.4 percent) above than it was in June 1980. The final adjusted index for April, 1981 was 153.2f. The average month for tonnage during the year 1967 is taken as 100 to start the chain link index.

These findings are based on the ATA Research and Statistical Services Department's monthly survey of Class I and II motor carriers of general freight with monthly responses representing more than one-third of the tonnage moved. The month-to-month percent change chain link has been adjusted to remove the normal seasonal influences and the variations dues to the different number of business days each month.

The unadjusted tonnage data for the United States and for each region for the latest month (p) are shown on the reverse side. Based upon this unadjusted data, June tonnage increased 7.1 percent compared to revised May and increased 11.3 percent compared to June of last year.

Cumulative tonnage for the first six months of 1981 decreased 2.6p percent compared to the same period in 1980.

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UNADJUSTED JUNE TRUCK TONNAGE BY REGION

Region	# of Cos.	June 1981p	June 1980f	Percent Change 6 /81p over 6 /80f	May 1981r	Percent Change 6 /81p over 5 /81r
New England	18	246,453	245,025	+ 0.6	231,708	+ 6.4
Middle Atlantic	40	983,258	912,194	+ 7.8	960,849	+ 2.3
Central	52	2,129,725	1,744,216	+22.1	1,991,222	+ 7.0
Southern	43	1,521,530	1,366,832	+11.3	1,482,035	+ 2.7
Northwestern	10	306,582	276,236	+11.0	272,383	+12.6
Midwestern	18	390,261	378,831	+ 3.0	361,336	+ 8.0
Southwestern	13	935,048	857,203	+ 9.1	873,403	+ 7.1
Rocky Mountain	13	295,799	291,282	+ 1.6	278,855	+ 6.1
Pacific	10	903,328	953,292	- 5.2	746,628	+21.0
TOTAL	217	7,711,984	7,025,111	+ 9.8	7,198,419	+ 7.1

INDEX COMPARISONS

	JUNE 1981	MAY 1981	APRIL 1981	JUNE 1980	Monthly % Change 5/81 / 4/81	Monthly % Change 6/81 / 5/81	Yearly % Change
Tonnage Index (adjusted)[1]	150.8p	152.1r	153.2f	140.4f	-0.7	-0.9	+ 7.4
Tonnage Index (unadjusted)	159.4p	148.8r	153.5f	143.2f	-3.1	+7.1	+11.3
Industrial Production Index[2] (Total)	152.7	152.8	152.3	141.5	+0.3	-0.1	+ 7.9
Manufacturers (total)	152.2	152.9	152.3	140.3	+0.4	-0.5	+ 8.5
Non-durable	165.9	166.2	166.2	155.3	N/C	-0.2	+ 6.8
Durable	142.7	143.6	142.6	129.9	+0.7	-0.6	+ 9.9
Retail Store Sales Index[2] (adjusted)	353.8	349.5	353.5	318.9	-1.1	+1.2	+10.9
Producer Price Index[3] (unadjusted)	269.9	268.9	267.7	244.9	+0.5	+0.4	+10.2
Consumer Price Index[4] (unadjusted)	271.3	269.0	266.8	247.6	+0.8	+0.9	+ 9.6

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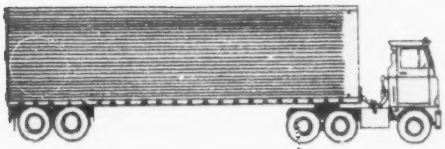

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JULY TRUCK TONNAGE INDEX INCREASES

The seasonally adjusted monthly index of intercity truck tonnage increased 2.8 points (1.9 percent) during July 1981, the American Trucking Associations announced today. The adjusted index was 154.5p for the month of July compared to 151.7r for the month of June 1981. The index was 18.5 points (or 13.6 percent) higher than it was in July 1980. The final adjusted index for May, 1981 was 152.2f. The average month for tonnage during the year 1967 is taken as 100 to start the chain link index.

These findings are based on the ATA Research and Statistical Services Department's monthly survey of Class I and II motor carriers of general freight with monthly responses representing more than one-third of the tonnage moved. The month-to-month percent change chain link has been adjusted to remove the normal seasonal influences and the variations dues to the different number of business days each month.

The unadjusted tonnage data for the United States and for each region for the latest month (p) are shown on the reverse side. Based upon this unadjusted data, July tonnage decreased 8.5 percent compared to revised June and increased 10.5 percent compared to July of last year.

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UNADJUSTED JULY 1981 TRUCK TONNAGE BY REGION

Region	# of Cos.	July 1981p	July 1980f	Percent Change 7/81p over 7/80f	June 1981r	Percent Change 7/81p over 6/81r
New England	18	285,015	284,118	+ 0.3	315,758	- 9.7
Middle Atlantic	39	1,114,664	1,000,735	+11.4	1,256,663	-11.3
Central	45	1,413,560	1,176,316	+20.2	1,626,205	-13.1
Southern	42	1,188,698	1,102,706	+ 7.8	1,300,389	- 8.6
Northwestern	8	201,130	200,304	+ 0.4	199,573	+ 0.8
Midwestern	20	310,350	313,966	- 1.2	333,408	- 6.9
Southwestern	12	856,403	814,069	+ 5.2	880,758	- 2.8
Rocky Mountain	14	281,039	284,017	- 1.1	307,742	- 8.7
Pacific	12	876,626	867,664	+ 1.0	912,358	- 3.9
TOTAL	210	6,527,485	6,043,895	+ 8.0	7,132,854	- 8.5

INDEX COMPARISONS

	July 1981	June 1981	May 1981	July 1980	Monthly % Change 6/81 / 5/81	Monthly % Change 7/81 / 6/81	Yearly % Change
Tonnage Index (adjusted)[1]	154.5p	151.7r	152.2f	136.0f	- 0.3	+ 1.9	+13.6
Tonnage Index (unadjusted)	146.7p	160.3r	148.9f	132.8f	+ 7.7	- 8.5	+10.5
Industrial Production Index[2] (Total)	153.4	152.9	152.8	140.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	+ 9.3
Manufacturers (total)	152.7	152.4	153.0	139.1	- 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 9.8
Non-durable	166.5	165.8	166.3	154.7	- 0.3	+ 0.4	+ 7.6
Durable	143.2	143.2	143.8	128.3	- 0.4	N/C	+11.6
Retail Store Sales Index[2] (adjusted)	360.6	356.1	349.5	325.6	+ 1.9	+ 1.3	+10.8
Producer Price Index[3] (unadjusted)	271.3	269.9	268.9	249.3	+ 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 8.8
Consumer Price Index[4] (unadjusted)	274.4	271.3	269.0	247.8	+ 0.9	+ 1.1	+10.7

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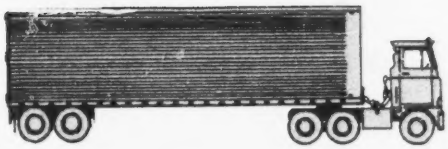

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AUGUST TRUCK TONNAGE INDEX DECREASES

The seasonally adjusted monthly index of intercity truck tonnage decreased 5.6 points (3.7 percent) during August 1981, the American Trucking Associations announced today. The adjusted index was 147.7p for the month of August compared to 153.3r for the month of July 1981. The index was 6.3 points (or 4.5 percent) higher than it was in August 1980. The final adjusted index for June, 1981 was 151.9f. The average month for tonnage during the year 1967 is taken as 100 to start the chain link index.

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UNADJUSTED August TRUCK TONNAGE BY REGION

Region	# of Cos.	August 1981p	August 1980f	Percent Change 8/81p over 8/80f	July 1981r	Percent Change 8/81p over 7/81r
New England	22	294,569	311,910	- 5.6	303,296	- 2.9
Middle Atlantic	40	971,186	934,537	+ 3.9	963,273	+ 0.8
Central	61	1,608,229	1,409,032	+14.1	1,650,083	- 2.5
Southern	42	1,761,735	1,572,244	+12.1	1,759,712	+ 0.1
Northwestern	10	289,377	290,154	- 0.3	285,123	+ 1.5
Midwestern	15	242,093	260,681	- 7.1	249,161	- 2.8
Southwestern	11	678,374	684,606	- 0.9	744,920	- 8.9
Rocky Mountain	11	261,247	277,376	- 5.8	254,405	+ 2.7
Pacific	16	1,004,430	1,111,866	- 9.7	1,079,774	- 7.0
TOTAL	228	7,111,240	6,852,406	+ 3.8	7,289,747	- 2.5

INDEX COMPARISONS

	August 1981	July 1981	June 1981	August 1980	Monthly % Change 7/81 / 6/81	Monthly % Change 8/81 / 7/81	Yearly % Change
Tonnage Index (adjusted)[1]	147.7p	153.3r	151.9f	141.4f	+ 0.9	- 3.7	+ 4.5
Tonnage Index (unadjusted)	142.1p	145.7r	160.5f	136.2f	- 9.2	- 2.5	+ 4.3
Industrial Production Index[2] (Total)	152.8	153.4	152.9	142.2	+ 0.3	- 0.4	+ 7.5
Manufacturers (total)	152.5	153.0	152.5	140.6	+ 0.3	- 0.3	+ 8.5
Non-durable	167.0	166.9	166.0	156.9	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 6.4
Durable	142.4	143.5	143.1	129.4	+ 0.3	- 0.8	+10.1
Retail Store Sales Index[2] (adjusted)	359.2	356.9	356.1	327.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	+ 9.9
Producer Price Index[3] (unadjusted)	271.2	271.3	269.9	251.4	+ 0.5	- 0.04	+ 7.9
Consumer Price Index[4] (unadjusted)	276.5	274.4	271.3	249.4	+ 1.1	+ 0.8	+10.8

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